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AMENDMENT

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 14, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks. The following documents are enclosed herewith:

- 1) A petition to extend the period of response for two months; and
- Exhibit A: List of published papers (10 pages).Please amend the specification and/or claims as shown herein.